

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 5, substitute line 2 with the following line 2:

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On page 7, substitute line 3 with the following line 3:

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On page 15 substitute the first full paragraph with the following paragraph:

A solution containing 208.0g (0.4 moles) of (A) isopropylidenebis(4-phenyleneoxy-4-phthalic acid) dianhydride and 470.4g (1.6 moles) of (B) 3,3', 4,4' -biphenyltetracarboxylic acid dianhydride in 5,460ml of N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone was charged into a four-necked flask having a capacity of 10L and provided with a stirrer in a nitrogen gas-flushed atmosphere, and a mixture consisting of 134.4g (0.6 moles) of (C) ~~amino-2-(p-aminophenyl) benzimidazole~~ 6-amino-2-(p-aminophenyl) benzimidazole and 152.2g (1.4 moles) of (D₂) p-phenylenediamine was added thereto, while keeping the temperature not higher than 30°C. Then, the resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for three hours to obtain 6,420g of a polyimide precursor copolymer solution (concentration of solid matters : 15 wt.%; viscosity at 25°C : 2,150cps).

On page 17 substitute the first full paragraph with the following paragraph:

A solution containing 156.0g (0.3 moles) of (A) isopropylidenebis (4-phenyleneoxy-4-phthalic acid) dianhydride and 500.0g (1.7 moles) of (B) 3,3', 4,4' -biphenyltetracarboxylic acid

dianhydride in 5,800ml of N-methyl-2-pyrrolidone was charged into a four-necked flask having a capacity of 10L and provided with a stirrer in a nitrogen gas-flushed atmosphere, in a mixture consisting of 180.0g (0.8 moles) of (C) ~~amino-2-(p-aminophenyl) benzimidazole~~, 6-amino-2-(p-aminophenyl) benzimidazole, 120.0g (0.6 moles) of (D₁) bis(4-aminophenyl) ether and 64.0g (0.6 moles) of (D₂) p-phenylenediamine was added thereto, while keeping the temperature not higher than 30°C. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for three hours to obtain 6,800g of a polyimide precursor copolymer solution (concentration of solid matters : 15 wt.% : viscosity at 25°C : 5,500cps). A curling-free copper foil/polyimide laminate was also manufactured from the thus obtained polyimide precursor varnish in the same manner as in Example 5.